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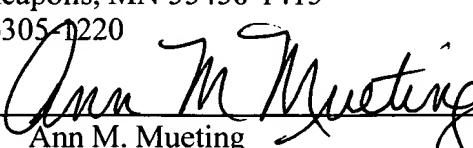
**NOTICE OF LOSS OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS**

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Sir:

Applicants' Representatives hereby notify the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(b) that the small entity status for the above-identified patent application has changed. The assignee, Regents of the University of Minnesota, has recently licensed the above-identified patent application to a company which does not qualify for small entity status. Therefore, the status of the present application has changed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.9(d) to large entity.

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